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And Control Method Thereof

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Sir:

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The Examiner is requested to consider the attached documents in connection with the above-identified application, and to return a copy of the Form PTO/SB/08 to the Applicants with the Examiner's initials in the spaces provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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